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THE COMMITTEE IMBROGLIO IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—It was hoped late this night, in various quarters, that when the caucus committee met this morning, some action would be taken by which peace in the Senate on the caucus report could be secured. Leading Senators, last night, declared that the party vote must be brought to bear upon those who have defied it, or the party would be overthrown in the coming Presidential campaign. The more Democratic Senators have talked over the move of several Republicans, and the probable defection of others, and consider it premature and indispondence of individual opinion and judgment. They are confident that the caucus committee will be compelled to withdraw its report, and that the caucus will then proceed to the election of a Foreign Relations Committee. Should this be done, Mr. Sumner will be elected Chairman of that Committee, and Mr. Fenton will be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Privileges and Elections. Should the caucus committee refuse to withdraw its report, it is probable that the caucus will proceed to the election of a Committee on Foreign Relations, and then adjourn. It is also probable that Mr. Sumner will be elected Chairman of that Committee, and that the caucus committee will then withdraw its report, and the caucus will proceed to the election of a Committee on Privileges and Elections. Should this be done, Mr. Fenton will be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee on Foreign Relations

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## THE SUMNER RESOLUTION.

Twenty-six Republican Senators voted in vain on Thursday to remove Charles Sumner from the Chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Relations, and to appoint Mr. Cameron, of Pennsylvania, to the place. This was a slight change from the original proposition to appoint Mr. Morton. The committee of the first publication held sway in the following order: Sumner, Cameron, Harlan, Morton, Pomeroy, Nelson, Schurz and Conkling. To have made Morton Chairman would have been to promote him over Cameron and Harlan, as well as Sumner. Of the members of the committee, Harlan voted against Mr. Morton; Cameron and Patterson, did not vote. Conkling is the Democratic member.

This proceeding is of vital importance to the Republican party, and deeply affects the independence of that legislative department of the government. Shall the American Senate yield its independence of Executive control, and become a mere adjunct of the executive branch of the government? Shall the Republican party assume the responsibility of surrendering legislative freedom? Shall the great party which owed its origin to the national demand for "Free men, free soil and Free Speech," now surrender that free speech that it claimed for a speech that it claimed for a speech that it claimed for a

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## BOXING MATTERS.

### THE LAKE FRONT BATTLE.

The question of the issue of a part of the Lake Front to the Chicago Base Ball Club, to be by them fitted up as a ball ground, and to be used by them as a base ball park, has been the subject of much discussion for the past few days. The Chicago Club, to whom the property was laid before the readers of THE TRIBUNE several days ago, together with a description of the property, appears to have the support of the Club. It will be remembered that the Common Council, at its last meeting, referred the matter to the Committee on Parks, with instructions to report at the next meeting. The Committee met last night, and the question was discussed at length. Mr. Throop, of the Committee, was in favor of granting the request of the Club. He thought that the property was worthless to the city, and that the Club would improve it. He